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ALL VISITORS ARE WELCOME!

Amateur Radio License Examinations - the first non-holiday Thursday of every month at The Franklin Institute Science Museum—doors close at 6:30 p.m. - **SHARPI!**

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24-Hour Information Number at W3TKQ: **(215) 448-1139**

Repeater frequencies: 147.03 MHz (Roxboro input requires no PL, but outputs 91.5 Hz.)

PL required for off-site receiver (OSR) access:

Bucks County 131.8 Hz—Center City 103.5 Hz—Lansdale 114.8 Hz

444.80 MHz (186.2 Hz PL)

Simplex frequency: 147.51 MHz

Packet BBS frequency at W3TKQ: 144.99 MHz

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 88, Abington, PA 19001

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W3QV - 147.03 MHz. Repeater - 8200 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, PA - Trustee W3BBB

W3TKQ - The Franklin Institute Science Museum, Philadelphia, PA - Trustee W3PWG

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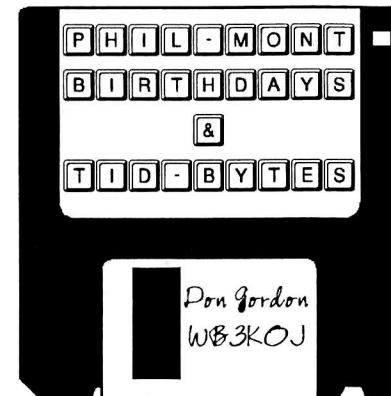
NET SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 09:30 147.030 MHz FM "SUNDAY MORNING 2 METER NET"
 10:00 28.993 MHz SSB "10-ON-10 NET"
 10:20 3.993 MHz SSB 75 METER NET
 TUESDAY 20:00 147.030 MHz FM CW PRACTICE NET
 LAST WED 20:00 147.030 MHz FM W3TKQ OPERATORS' NET

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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- 18 "Gil" Gilpin - W3SRU
- 19 Brad Swanson - N3GLH
- 22 Bill Popovic - N3FVI
- 24 Delores Policarpo (XYL N3GMH)
 Gina Policarpo - N3QKZ*
- 25 Dusty Rhoads - ND3Q
- 27 Mel Toren - W2GMA
- 29 Bob Namm - K3RRC
 Bob Nicotero - KB2ERL
 Betty Walmsley (XYL WO3D)

*Indicates New Member 93-94

**MEMBERSHIP STATS**

177 Regular
 19 Family
 3 Honorary
 9 Pending
 208

HELP PHIL-MONT

Are you planning to join ARRL or renew your current membership?
 Help P.M.R.C. by joining or renewing through the club, contact the Treasurer,
 Dave Witkowski, N3KGG for details.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Martin Weinberg received his call - WB4MSX

"DON'T TAILGATE... WAIT"—for the courtesy 🚗!

you did on your exam. Pizzas, McDonald's and instant coffee were unheard of.

We hit the scene when there were 5 and 10 cent stores, where you bought things for five and ten cents. Ice cream cones sold for a nickel or a dime. For one nickel you could ride a street car, make a phone call, buy a Pepsi or enough stamps to mail one letter and two postcards. You could buy a new Chevy Coupe for \$600, but who could afford one; a pity too, because gas was 11 cents a gallon.

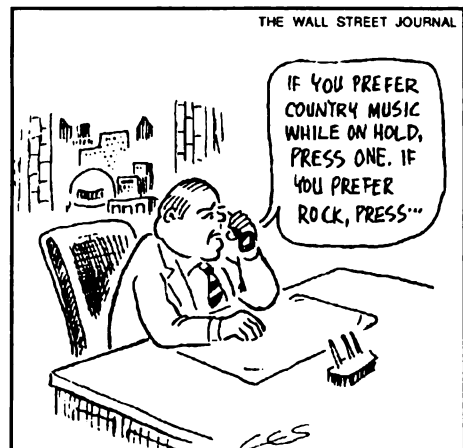
In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, GRASS was mowed, COKE was a cold drink and POT was something you cooked in. ROCK MUSIC was a Grandma's lullaby, and AIDS were helpers in the Principal's office.

We were certainly not before the difference between the sexes was discovered, but we were surely before sex change; we made do with what we had. And we were the last generation that was so dumb as to think you needed a husband to have a baby!

No wonder we are so confused, and there is such a generation gap today!

But We Survived!!!

DLARC's 'W3OK Corral'



Steve-WU3I designing a new menu for the phone at TKQ.

CONGRESS ACTS TO SUPPORT HAM RADIO

A joint congressional resolution supporting Amateur Radio was successfully passed through both houses of Congress in the wee hours of the morning of October 7. The bill asks for "reasonable accommodation" in the operation of Amateur Radio in homes, automobiles and public places. It was a last ditch effort by Senators Charles Robb, Wendell Ford and Alan Simpson to make Senate Joint Resolution 90 a reality.

The bill passed on the floor of the Senate under unanimous consent at 12:10 a.m.. It then went to the House of Representatives. There it was brought up by Congressman Al Swift, and passed unanimously at 2:45 a.m.

Patricia Spurlock, a staffer for Senator Robb, and Stephanie Vance, a staffer for Congressman Mike Krehdler, worked overtime on the bill. You may remember that it was Krehdler who introduced the original House version. Passage was assisted by the efforts of David Leach, counsel to the House Energy Commerce Committee, along with Jerry Waldron and Colin Crowell of the House Telecommunication and Finance Subcommittee. Not since the days when Barry Goldwater, K7UGA served in the senate has Amateur Radio seen this kind of support from Capitol Hill.

(NEWSLINE via the KE3CZ BBS)

The Gettysburg Address

(which is not printed on the new 610 forms)

Federal Communications Commission
1270 Fairfield Road
Gettysburg, PA 17325

License Questions: (800) 322-1117

The PREZ SEZ

Ed Masarsky, KB3IV



November has always been a busy month for Phil-Mont. There are still a lot of leaves to rake, chores to do, and antennas to fix before winter drives us indoors to keep warm by the glow of our digital displays.

The November 2 General Meeting is our annual 'Ol' Timers' Night'. This year will be one of our most memorable occasions. We have put together an interesting and enjoyable program, and hope to have a large turnout. Don't let the Ol' Timers' designation scare you off. This event is also for "New Timers."

Another important event will be

the announcement of candidates for Phil-Mont office. Elections will be conducted at the December 7 Annual Meeting. If you can't be with us at the meeting, please complete an absentee ballot, and return it in time to be counted on election night. Every vote is important for the continued success of our club.

If you have not been contacted by the nominating committee to run for office, and wish to do so, contact any one of the club's officers listed on the opposite page.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 2nd at Choices Forum. ☺

FCC Opens Toll-Free Phone to Field License Questions

The FCC has instituted a toll-free phone line at its Gettysburg, PA licensing division for customer service inquiries. Amateurs may call (800) 322-1117 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time for direct assistance; at other times callers will be connected to an automated information system with recorded messages on interference complaints.

Other messages regard fee information and processing times. A touch Tone telephone is required for the automated system.

The FCC said the new service was part

of its response to a presidential order that the federal government be "customer driven." The FCC said it used a series of focus groups to identify the desire for an 800 number at its licensing division.

"Within the next 18 months," the FCC said, "customer service standards will be developed for other areas of Commission operations to ensure that FCC customers receive the highest quality of service possible. As these new standards become available, the FCC will inform its customers."

The ARRL Letter

UPCOMING

- Nov 2 **General Meeting
Ol' Timers' Night**
- Nov 3 License Examinations at
The Franklin Institute
- Nov 16 Directors' Meeting at
W3STW's
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- Dec 1     License Examinations at  
The Franklin Institute
- Dec 7     **General Meeting  
Elections**
- Dec 14    Directors' Meeting at  
N3FV's  
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- Jan 4 **General Meeting**
- Jan 5 License Examinations at
The Franklin Institute
- Jan 18 Directors' Meeting at
N3GLU & KB3IV's

HAMFESTS

Look for 'Goodies' every month
in the *Blurb*.

CLUB INFORMATION

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(215) 448-1139

V.E. TEST LOCATIONS

Confirm all information, in advance, with the contact person. Licensed applicants must bring the original, and one photocopy of their license. All applicants, including children, must present positive ID. Also bring the original, and a copy, of any Certificate of Successful Completion needed to prove current status. **The ARRL VEC's 1994 test fee is \$5.75; there is no charge for a Novice test.**

- **The FRANKLIN INSTITUTE**
Monthly, 1st Thursday—Dusty Rhoads, ND3Q
(215) 879-0505 day, (215) 482-0386 home
- **BELLMAWR, NJ**
Monthly, 3rd Thursday—Bill Helmatag
(609) 546-7710
- **BRYN MAWR**
Irregularly—Bob Lees
(215) 265-6032
- **LEVITTOWN**
Monthly, 1st Saturday—George LeNoir, WR3B
(215) 943-4886
- **LINWOOD, PA—(Commercial & Amateur Exams.)**
Quarterly—Barb Levine, AA3DV
(215) 859-9210, (302) 792-7760 home
- **MORRISVILLE**
Monthly, 3rd Thursday—Dave Munson, NM3K
(215) 788-7515
- **POTTSTOWN**
Monthly, 1st Monday—Warren Erdman K3ZXQ
(215) 679-5764
- **TELFORD**
Monthly, 3rd Monday—Warren Erdman K3ZXQ
(215) 679-5764
- **UNIVERSITY OF PA**
Monthly, Last Saturday—Garrett Klein, WZ3G
(215) 898-8538 shack, (215) 222-8752 home
- **WARMINSTER**
Monthly, Last Wed.—Tom Michaud, WA3TQJ
(215) 343-3494

**Call
1-800-32-NEW-HAM**
for free information for
prospective hams

For those Ol' Timers born before 1945— Consider The Changes We Have Witnessed:

We were born before television, before penicillin, before polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, plastic, contact lenses, frisbees and the PILL.

We were before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams and ball-point pens, before pantyhose, dishwashers, clothes dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip dry clothes, and before men walked on the moon.

In our time, closets were for clothes, not for "coming out of.."

Bunnies were small rabbits, and rabbits were not Volkswagens. Designer Jeans were scheming girls named Jean or Jeanne, and having a meaningful relationship meant getting along well with our cousins.

We thought fast food was what you ate during Lent, and Outer Space was the back of the Keswick theater.

We were before house-husbands, gay rights, computer dating, dual careers and commuter marriages. We were before day-care centers, group therapy and nursing homes. We never heard of FM radios, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors, yogurt, and guys wearing earrings. For us, time-sharing meant togetherness... not computers or condominiums; a 'chip' meant a piece of wood; hardware meant hardware, and software wasn't even a word!

In 1940, "made in Japan" meant JUNK, and the term "making out" referred to how

*Sama
CORNER*

Overheard on the repeater:

"Have a good
rest of the day,
and a better
one upon the
morrow!"





The Southern Reporter

Howard "Gil" Gilpin, W3SRU

I'm being appointed ARRL ARES Lee County [Florida] Emergency Coordinator, a big responsibility for me!

I'm going to an ARES meeting at the big hamfest in Tampa on November 19-20, at which time I hope to visit Hal-W3AA and Marian-WA3YJR.

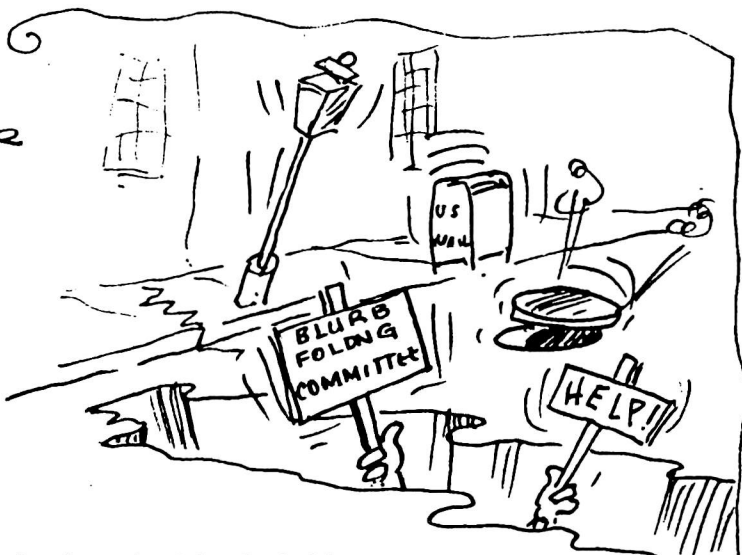
Recently I went to a big hamfest in Melbourne, and bought a Kenwood TS-

130S, 80-10m, 100watts, in mint condition. I'm getting excellent reports from W3RM, N2RM and N8DM.

I talk to them and K3JJO quite often on 20 meters, both Saturdays and Sundays. Unfortunately 10 meters has not been open much on Sunday mornings.

Don't you think it's time we heard from the 'Northern Reporter' for a change? ☺

Same
OTHER
CORNER



Phil-Mont's Blurb folding committee
enjoying their recent vacation in California.

MINUTES

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

Bob Wilcox, KE3CZ, Secretary



The 537th General Meeting was called to order by the 'Tyrant', KB3IV, at 7:43 p.m. That's about as good as his starting times get!

He announced, with trepidation (whad-hesay?), that the first report would be from Dave, N3KGG, our fearless treasurer.

Starting Balance:	\$1,285.32
Income:	58.00
Expenditures:	50.00
Ending Balance:	\$1,293.32

Ed, asked to spell trepidation, declined on the grounds that it might incriminate him.

'IV reminded that on the first non-holiday Thursday the PMRC VE team would be giving license examinations, and he was also happy to hear of the amount of upgrading going on in the club.

Ed then announced that the CW Training Net had resumed on the W3QV repeater on Tuesday evenings at 8 p.m.

Ed discussed (does the 'Tyrant' think he is Steve, WU3I?) that The Institute has a new exhibit, Star Trek, which 'PSO successfully reconnoitered. Assault at your own risk!

AA3BB for his membership post, welcomed Thom Scott-KA4LIF, Bob Dagit-N3SYK, Margie Mendelson-N3SPZ and Mart Weinberg-WP4MSX as the newest members voted in. He also reported that there were 7 applicants to be voted on at the next Directors' meeting.

Al T-r-i-b-b-l-e, "Long Tall Al" (LTA) to his friends, talked about his recent loss, and 'TKQ's recent gain. Seems Al found a camera for Slow-Scan that was suitable for his purposes, but he just plunked down the cold cash for another one, so the camera from N3ISE is now in service at 'TKQ. Hey Al, keep up the good work!

AA3EP for Special Events: Charlie reported that there were over 3,000 riders for the MS-150, and also thanked Phil-Mont as 22 of the 80 amateur volunteers were PMRC members.

Maureen McCloskey, N3SQC, for Welcoming: There were 31 members and 11 visitors attending. The visitors included, Maureen McCloskey (double billing) N3SQC, Joe Pearlstein-NU3Y, Roxanne Czorpita-N3KQH, Dean Spare-N3TAL, Reba Bock (XYL of K3PHC), Charlye Johnson-WN3PDB, James Lamont-N3SHM, Mark Mihm-WB3EPD, Mike Kasprzak, Anna Popovic and Amelia Popovic (dad had his girls out for the night).

N3PDO sold the 50-50 for which the winning ticket was yanked by Anna Popovic and the cabbage went to W-3-S-T-W. LTA recouped most of the money he spent on the camera.

WU3I kept the W3TKQ report brief (since the 'Tyrant' already stole his thunder), and then announced the evening's program, Al, W-3-S-T-W and the Slow Scan Television demonstration.

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m. ☺

MINUTES

OCTOBER DIRECTORS' MEETING

Bob Wilcox, KE3CZ, Secretary

KB3IV called to order at 8:12 p.m. the meeting at C H I Institute. Attendees were KB3IV, WU3I, W3IIM, W-3-S-T-W, K3KUD, W3RM, AA3EP, W3BBB and KE3CZ.

First order of business, the 'Tyrant' changed the November Mid-Month from the 9th to the 16th, just to prove that he could. He then discussed the 1995 meeting schedule.

AA3EP was called on for N3KGG's treasury report.

Starting Balance: \$1,293.32

Income: 70.00

Expenditures: 245.59

Ending Balance: \$1,117.73

Hey Charlie, you want a job?

'IV reported on the fine job done by WB3KOJ on the *Blurb* and the directory. Of course he did this during the first meeting in a long while that Donald did not attend.

K3KUD reported that the Budget and Audit committee would meet in the first week of December, firm date to be announced.

W3IIM for the *Blurb*, and W3BBB for Emergency, nuttin'... ('cept Jack did say something about the club buying a color laser printer, which BBB reported would cause an emergency).

KB3IV for AA3BB and the Membership committee. There were 7 applicants to vote on. Testing our new electronic balloting system, W3IIM made a motion to accept, WU3I seconded, there were no dissenting key ups. As my *Blurb* was devoured by the U.S. Postal Service's finely tuned

machinery, you must read your *Blurb* to see who they were.

KB3IV for Net Control stations, W-3-S-T-W would be picking up the 2 meter net for KB2ERL. 'BBB will continue to take the 5th week on both 2 meters and 75 meters.

WU3I reported that Old Timers' Night was planned for the November meeting, along with a visit by Bill, WA3NSP, from the Official Observer Program. Refreshments will be a little better than usual, and all members are asked to make an effort to get some of our more senior members to the meeting. Nominations will also be announced at the November meeting, with elections in December.

KB3IV as Nominating Committee chairman, asked 'BBB to again serve as Judge of Elections. 'BBB accepted.

Sticking with 'BBB while he had him going, Ed asked for a repeater report. Jim told him that the repeater would have some work being done on it, as well as the signal strength unit installed.

AA3EP indicated that he is looking for some volunteers to help with an event either the first or second Sunday of December. Brian's Run will be discussed in future meetings, with a set date to be announced.

W3RM announced that we needed to renew our ARRL Special Service Club status, for which 'IV quickly took the paperwork, and promised to take care of.

W-3-S-T-W for W3TKQ, informed us that the Slow Scan had been installed, and was the center of attraction. Both he and WU3I reported that the OMNI-VI needed

SMRS FRAUD CHARGE

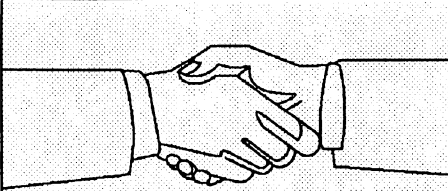
The Securities and Exchange Commission, responding to a complaint about a Florida based licensing mill has teamed up with the FCC's Miami office to act in the case. As a result, an investment company brokering the sale of Specialized Mobile Radio System and Private Carrier licenses as investments through infomercial television advertising is now charged with interstate fraud. The FCC Miami Office provided information about licensing procedures and developed facts that showed the investment firm had been charging an average of \$7,000 for each license. The SEC has seized the company and issued a temporary restraining order against its owners doing further business. Before it was able to stop the scheme some 12,000 investors had been dinged.

(NEWSLINE via the KE3CZ BBS)

AT&T FORMS TEAM TO TRACK HACKERS

AT&T Corp.'s Global Business Communications Systems says that it has formed an investigative unit to monitor, track and catch phone-system hackers in the act of committing toll fraud. The unit will profile hacker activity and initiate "electronic stake-outs" with its business communications equipment customers in cooperation with law enforcement agencies, and work with them to prosecute the thieves. The company says that its goal is not only to defend against hackers but to get them off the street."

(NEWSLINE via the KE3CZ BBS)



NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

CALL:	WB3EPD
NAME:	Mark Mihm
HANDLE:	Mark
CLASS:	Advanced
ADDRESS:	4642 Penn Street Philadelphia, PA 19124
HOME PHONE:	(215) 535-6509
BUSINESS PHONE:	(215) 241-2506
OCCUPATION:	Auditor
INTERESTS:	

CALL:	N3SQC
NAME:	Maureen McCloskey
HANDLE:	Maureen
CLASS:	Technician
ADDRESS:	P.O. Box 21914 Philadelphia, PA 19124
HOME PHONE:	(215) 535-7355
BUSINESS PHONE:	
OCCUPATION:	
INTERESTS:	Welcoming



THE W 3 T K Q

REPORT

It has been a fantastic month for W3TKQ. The addition of *color* SSTV has been great. I visited on a Sunday after installation, and with no instruction (just reading the book), Merrill-KT3Z and Pat-WT3X were like two kids in a toy store going wild. They were operating 20 meters all over the country and having a ball. There is now a short instruction sheet in the station, with copies for all volunteers. Help yourself!

Herb-N3OLK stopped by later in the month with a visitor from Great Britain, Tony-G4GLB, who was impressed. Tony notified us that he manufactures for \$27, using surface mount components, the SSTV interface that works with the JVFAX7 program. I asked Tony to forward the literature for those of you who do not solder. I will have the info available when it arrives.

The Rupp power meter is still out to the manufacturer, and we are awaiting its return; the amplifier is disabled until then. Please remember to use the internal antenna tuner on the TS-950S to keep the radio happy.

Remember, it's your station! Stop down and visit sometime. All you have to do is call the station at 448-1139, and let the operators know you are coming. Upon arrival they will come down to meet you at the security desk.

Finally, I would like to invite all members down to the **Old Timers' Night** meeting the first Wednesday in November. We are planning a nice program and special refreshments.

Please try to attend... If you need a ride, holler!

—Steve Hoch, WU3I

114TH MONTHLY VE SESSION STATISTICS OCTOBER

18 candidates took 40 elements
10 new amateurs plus 3 upgrades

VE team members:

Dusty Rhoads, ND3Q, Chairman

Russ Stafford, AA3CH; Bob Wilcox, KE3CZ; Barb Levine, AA3DV;
Henry Mapps, K3DXI; Steve Hoch, WU3I; Wally Newell, K3JJO;
Tom Scott, KA4LIF; Joel Kleinguenther, KA3SWU; Joe Pearlstein, NU3Y

AMATEUR LICENSE EXAMS HELD ON THE FIRST
NON-HOLIDAY THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH
Registration begins at 6:00 PM

Doors close at 6:30 PM sharp

THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE
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For Information Call ND3Q at
(215) 482-0386 or 879-0505

Accessible by the handicapped.



repairs. S-T-W wanted to acknowledge Steve for all of his work in getting donations for 'TKQ, as well as his work there. WU3I asked that if anyone had old computer components sitting around, that you contact him, as he may be able to use them to put workable packet systems together. K3KUD asked that something be done with the phone recording at the station, as it is not informative enough. Point taken, the work is set to be done soon.

On a sad note, the Board received the resignation of one of Phil-Mont's finest, Frenchy-W3IRS who is in the first year of a two year term as Director. With the upcoming elections being so soon, the Board decided to wait until after them to fill the remaining year of this position.

No further business to attend to, the meeting was adjourned at 10 p.m. ☺

NEWSLETTERS EXCHANGED

Anne Arundel Radio Club (Maryland)
Baltimore Radio Amateur Television Society (BRATS)
Chaverim of Delaware Valley
Cherryville Repeater Association (NJ)
Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club (DLARC)
Delmont Radio Club
Fort Myers Amateur Radio Club (Florida)
Mid-Atlantic Amateur Radio Club (MARC)
Penn Wireless Association
R F Hill Amateur Radio Club
Reading Radio Club
Sanibel Amateur Radio Emergency Unit (Florida)
Sussex Amateur Radio Ass'n (SARA) (Delaware)
The 96 Over The Hill Gang (New Castle, Delaware)
Tompkins County Amateur Radio Club (New York)
Warminster Amateur Radio Club
Worldradio Magazine
Exchanges with additional parties are welcomed.

Postscript

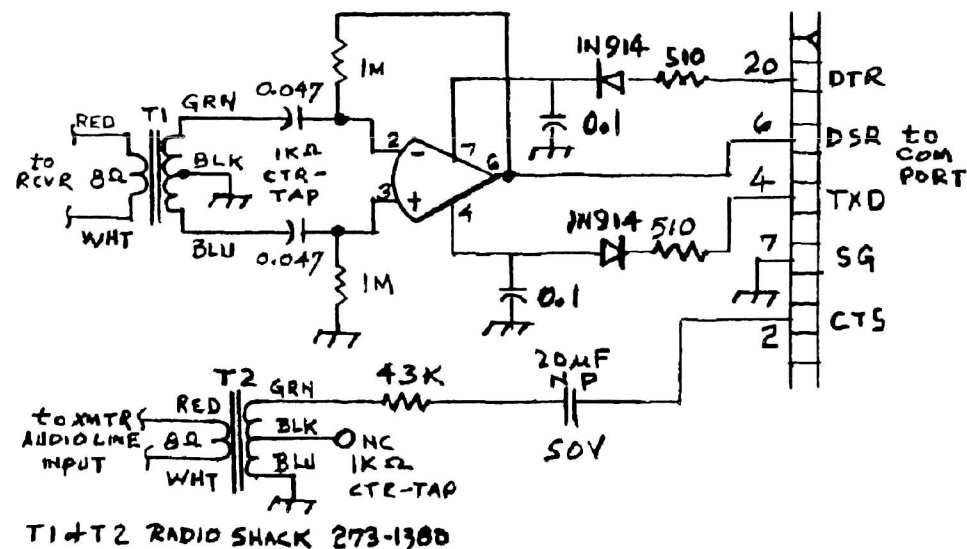
Al Tribble, W3STW

S-L-O-W S-C-A-N T-V

The positive response that I have received regarding the October 5th General Meeting has prompted me to include some comments in this issue of the *Blurb*. Again, I wish to thank Joshua-N3NLR, Barry-K3EUI, Steve-WU3I, Al-WA3KUB, Bill-W3KKO, Bill-K3YUN, and the marvelous turn out. With all that help the Slow Scan TV program had to be a positive experience... and it was.

Since one picture is worth ten thousand words, I submit a slightly modified modulator circuit extracted from the January 1994 QST page 20. All named above have had experience with the circuit, and will try to answer your questions. Obtaining the software is as easy as bringing down to W3TKQ a blank high density floppy (144mb), and ask for a copy of JVFAX7.0; Steve or I will help. Your computer should be an IBM PC or Clone 286, with a clock running 12MHz or better, and at least 2mb of RAM. The monitor must be a VGA VESA compatible. Steve, WU3I is the best source of information re your video system for this modulator board. Those of us that are using the board meet each weekday night around 7:30 p.m. on 145.700 MHz FM, please join the group.

Good luck with the project! ☺

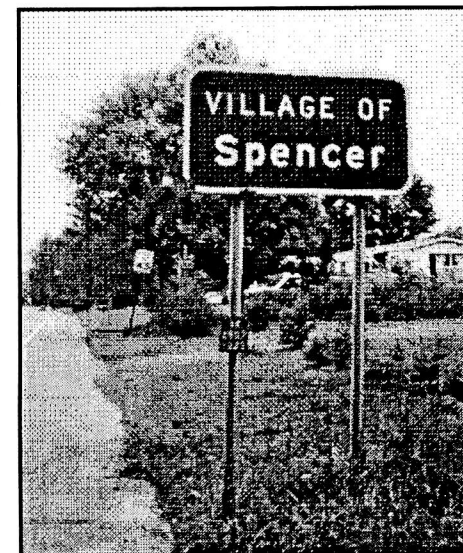


He's a very popular guy!

On our 45th anniversary, we think he certainly deserves recognition, but some folks in the Finger Lakes region of New York are going overboard!



Photos by W3VVS



To: Blurb Editor

Re: GPS vs Loran

The recent article in the Blurb (October 1994, page 15) regarding Loran was a valiant effort to keep the old fire horse from being retired.

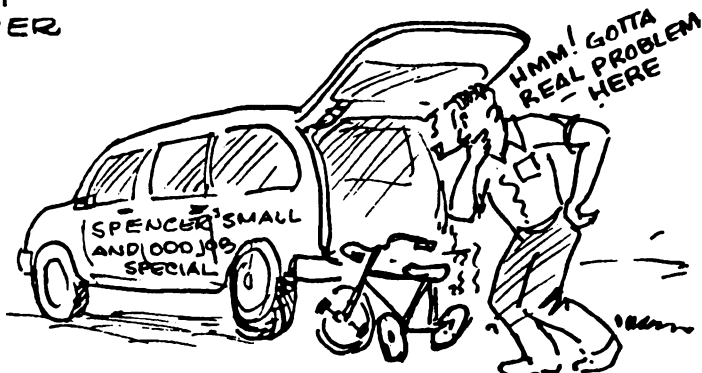
GPS (Global Positioning System) is inexpensive (about \$500 for a hand-held unit), more accurate than Loran (GPS is approved by the FAA for enroute, and approaches to an airport, in weather conditions consisting of poor visibility and low ceilings/clouds), and is not affected by terrain or atmospheric (fading).

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Kenwood	2500	VHF 2-watts FM H/T w/case & battery	gif-2	50
Kenwood	2500	VHF 2-watts FM H/T w/case & battery	gif-3	50
Kenwood	ST-2	base charger & power supply for 2500	gif-4	25
Tempo	VHF-ONE	VHF 2-watts FM synthesized	gif-5	40
Drake	TR-7	80-10 SSB 80 watts w/manual—no mike	ijn-12	400
Drake	T4X-DC4	80-10 SSB		
	R4C-MS4	*last chance—best offer over listed price*	ijn-24	150
Drake	SPR-4	for parts only	ijn-30	10
Drake	TR-3	for parts only	ijn-29	10
Lambda	LMCC5	5V @ 10A regulated power supply	ijn-27	5
B&K	283	bench DVM w/manual	ijn-9	20
Micronta	PSO-24	0-24VDC @ 1A regulated power supply	ijn-17	5
Ameco	PLF-2	preamplifier	ijn-17	10
Standard	SRC12	12VDC @ 6A regulated power supply	ijn-22	10
Heath	HW-101	80-10 ssb, w/manual, HP-23 p.s.—no mike	3d1	150
Heath	HW-101	80-10 ssb, w/manual, homebuilt p.s.—no mike	3d2	125
Heath	SB-220	80-10 2 kW linear 220V w/manual	bbb-1	350
IBM	PC	2-360k floppies, 640k, color monitor & printer	bbb-2	150

Contact: Jim Spencer, W3BBB (215) 362-5172

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Commodore 64		with 1541 floppy drive and-1702 monitor. Good for use with a camcorder.	100/OBE

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FC-902	Antenna tuner	50
SP-901P	Phone patch/speaker	50
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13 2M NCS W3GQD 10M NCS W3HFX 75M NCS AA3CH	14	15 CODE PRACTICE NET at 8 PM N3FVI	16 DIRECTORS' MEETING at W3STW's	17	18 ○	19
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27 2M NCS N3KGG 10M NCS W3HFX 75M NCS KB3IV	28 <i>Chanukah</i>	29 CODE PRACTICE NET at 8 PM W3RM <i>Hurricane Season Ends Tomorrow</i>	30  OPERATORS' NET at 8 PM		The short memories of American voters is what keeps our politicians in office. <i>Will Rogers</i>	